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On 7 May 1953, the daily Baku newspaper Kommunist published the following report by its correspondent in connection with his recent visit to Nakhichevan'.

Nakhichevan', capital of the Nakhichevanskaya ASSR, is situated along the rail line connecting Baku with Yerevan. During the Tsarist regime, it was a backward place with a four-bed hospital, two doctors, and one midwife. It had at that time a single four-class Russian-Tatar school, which employed two teachers. After the revolution, Nakhichevan' became one of the progressive centers in the Azerbaydzhan SSR.

There are now in Nakhichevan' three intermediate schools, three seven-class schools, and one elementary school, employing in all more than 200 teachers. In addition, there is a technical school, as well as a school of music. There is a medical school in Nakhichevan' at which 644 doctors, 119 midwives, and 90 nurses completed their training. Over 900 teachers have already graduated from the teachers institute located on Nizami Kuche (street) and 192 more will graduate this summer.

At present, there are several medical centers in Nakhichevan', serving the needs of the workers. There are in operation a hospital with 500 beds, an obstetrical center, a polyclinic, and several dispensaries. These institutions employ 69 doctors and 302 medical workers with intermediate training.

The following industries were established in Nakhichevan' during the present regime: a bakery, the expansion of which is being planned so as to produce 15 tons of bread per day; a brick factory; a marble plant and cement factory; a furniture factory; a motor-tractor plant; and several other industrial establishments. The wine produced by the Wine Trust of Nakhichevan' is known all over the USSR for its high quality. A canning plant is being erected near the railroad station. This plant will supply the workers with all kinds of canned meat. Thirty of the city's main streets are paved.

Plans are being prepared now for the construction of an 18-kilometer-long park along the southwestern section of the city, an athletic stadium which will hold 5,000 people, and a station for the study and treatment of epidemic diseases.

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